

The ACA and WWC – What We Know

(as of 8/8/13)

Eligibility and Enrollment

- About 75% of WWC women statewide will be eligible for Medicaid Expansion (i.e. have incomes under 138% FPL according to eCaST).
- While many women WWC currently serves will be eligible for the Medicaid Expansion, 33,882 +/- 7,159 women are 40-64 years old, uninsured and between 138 and 250% FPL (SAHIE data). While some of these women will sign up for insurance through the exchange, there is still a large pool of women that WWC will need to continue to serve.
- The Colorado Health Institute estimates that in 2010 24.8% of adults (19-64) that were eligible for Medicaid were not enrolled.
- The Colorado Health Institute estimates that the following numbers of currently uninsured adults will become eligible for Medicaid:
 - Colorado Health Care Affordability Act
 - Parents (61-100% FPL) = 20,531
 - Adults without Dependent Children [AwDC] (0-100% FPL) = 153,589
 - ACA
 - Parents (101-133% FPL) = 21,301
 - Adults without Dependent Children [AwDC] (101-133% FPL) = 44,227

Services Covered

- Health plans offered through the exchange (Connect for Health Colorado) must provide a minimum set of benefits called “essential health benefits”. <http://www.connectforhealthco.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/CO-EHB-Decision-Chart-9-27-12-carrier-approved-NO-cost-sharing.pdf>
 - Costs for services can vary from plan to plan
 - Colorado’s Essential Health Benefits includes WWC services such as
 - Ambulatory services
 - Specialist visits
 - Outpatient visits
 - Outpatient diagnostic labs, x-ray, and pathology
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 - Imaging/diagnostics (e.g., MRI, CT scan, PET scan)
 - Preventive and Wellness Services and Chronic Disease Management
 - Preventive care (Colorado and Federal Mandate)
 - Screening mammography [annually for women over 40; earlier based upon risk] (Colorado and Federal Mandate)
 - Screening pap tests (Colorado Mandate)
 - Annual GYN exam